BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2012-156-E - ORDER NO. 2012-402

MAY 16, 2012

IN RE:	Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)	ORDER APPROVING
	for Approval of Experimental Tariff)	EXPERIMENTAL TARIFF
	Covering a New Residential Energy Program)	FOR APPLIANCE
	under Save-a-Watt, the Appliance Recycle)	RECYCLE PROGRAM
	Program)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the request of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("Duke" or "the Company") for approval of the Experimental Tariff for the Appliance Recycle Program. The program is designed to remove inefficient refrigerators and freezers from homes served by the Company. Under the program, the inefficient refrigerators and freezers will be recycled, and participants will receive incentive payments of up to \$50 per appliance. The program is similar to an already existing program offered by Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. We would note that the Office of Regulatory Staff has no objection to the proposal.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-570 (F) (Supp. 2011) states that no notice or hearing on a proposed tariff is required if the tariff is experimental. In this case, the proposed tariff is experimental, so no notice or hearing is required in the matter.

Accordingly, we have examined this matter, and approve the proposed experimental tariff as filed. We believe that the policy behind the proposal is reasonable, in that it is designed to encourage the recycling of inefficient refrigerators and freezers.

The Company shall file the experimental tariff in the Commission's electronic tariff filing system, if it has not already done so.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Johr E. Howard, Chairman

ATTEST:

David A. Wright, Vice Chairman

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